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SUBJ: TEMPORARY ASSIGNMENT OF KIGAM STAFF MEMBERS AT US GEOLOGICAL
SURVEY

1. KOREA RESEARCH INSTITUTE OF GEOSCIENCE AND MINERAL
RESOURCES (KIGAM) URGES EARLY ASSIGNMENT TO US GEOLOGICAL
SURVEY FOR PURPOSE OF ON-THE-JOB TRAINING FOR THREE-MONTH
PERIOD STARTING EARLY FEBRUARY OF THREE KIGAM PROFESSIONALS:
LEE KYONG-HAN (TRAINING IN USE OF USGS DATA BANK SYSTEM FOR
STORAGE AND RETRIEVAL OF GEOSCIENTIFIC DATA); CHO JIN-DONG,
(TRAINING IN GEOPHYSICAL PROSPECTING); AND YUN KEUN-SHIN
(TRAINING IN ENGINEERING GEOLOGY).

2. WE UNDERSTAND AID BLOCK GRANT FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR THIS
TRAINING TERMINATE IN MAY 1978. KIGAM IS PRESSING FOR
MANPOWER TRAINING AT THIS TIME BECAUSE OF GREATLY EXPANDED
ROKGS DOMESTIC RESOURCE EXPLORATION PLANS AND PLANS FOR
FUTURE OVERSEAS EXPLORATION.

3. ALTHOUGH THIS TRAINING IS NOT LIMITED TO URANIUM
MINERAL EXPLORATION, KIGAM IS SEEKING US-KOREA JOINT
STANDING COMMITTEE ON NUCLEAR AND OTHER ENERGY
TECHNOLOGY ASSISTANCE IN ARRANGING SUBJECT TRAINING,
BECAUSE OF THEIR PRESSING NEED. KIGAM HAS RECEIVED
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A CABLE FROM MR. J.A. REINEMUND OF THE USGS STATING
THAT IT WILL REQUIRE SEVERAL WEEKS TO DETERMINE
AVAILABILITY OF STAFF FOR A TRAINING PROGRAM. KIGAM
WOULD PREFER INFORMAL ON-THE-JOB TRAINING WHICH CAN
COMMENCE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

4. PLEASE ADVISE IF TRAINING OF THIS KIND CAN BE

ARRANGED TO BEGIN IN FEBRUARY.

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